

6-inch meter station and dual 4-inch regulator. The subject delivery lateral interconnects with NGT's Line FM-12 in Section 37, Township 20N, Range 4E, at Sterlington, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana. This line, FM-66, will be used to deliver natural gas to Louisiana Power and Light's (LP&L) electric generating plant at Sterlington, Louisiana. The estimated volumes to be delivered to this delivery tap are approximately 15,000 MMBtu per day on a peak day and approximately 5,475,000 MMBtu on an annual basis. The delivery lateral will be purchased at the existing net book value of approximately \$120,000. The facilities to be relocated will be removed from NGT's point of current interconnect with Lafayette and relocated to the point of delivery at the LP&L plant. The facilities will be used as part of NGT's existing interstate system. No customers or service will be abandoned as a result of the acquisition, the operation or the abandonment of these facilities. The volumes to be delivered to LP&L are within LP&L's certified entitlements pursuant to NGT's blanket transportation certificate issued in Docket No. CP88-820 and the transportation service agreement executed pursuant to NGT's tariff.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request.

If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity is deemed to be authorized effective on the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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Northern Indiana Public Service Company, NIPSCO Energy Services, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order

June 5, 1996.

On March 26, 1996, NIPSCO Energy Services, Inc. (NIPSCO Energy) filed an application for authorization to sell power at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, NIPSCO Energy requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by NIPSCO Energy. On May 29, 1996, the Commission issued an Order Accepting for Filing and Suspending Proposed Transmission Tariffs, Conditionally Accepting for Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates, and Granting Waivers and Authorizations (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's May 29, 1996 Order granted the request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering Paragraphs (F), (G), and (I):

(F) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by NIPSCO Energy should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(G) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (F) above, NIPSCO Energy is hereby authorized to issue securities and to assume obligations or liabilities as guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

(I) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of NIPSCO Energy's issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities * * *.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is June 28, 1996.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public

Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Shell Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

June 4, 1996.

Take notice that on June 3, 1996, Shell Gas Pipeline Company (Shell), P.O. Box 576, Houston, Texas 77079, filed with the Commission an amendment to the application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity filed by Shell on January 29, 1996, in Docket No. CP96-159-000, to decrease the proposed initial rates and to revise the proposed terms and conditions for service on its 30-inch Mississippi Canyon Pipeline, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the application which is open to the public for inspection.

Shell states that by order issued February 28, 1996, in Docket No. CP96-159-000, the Commission authorized Shell to construct and operate a 30-inch diameter natural gas pipeline extending approximately 45 miles from a platform in West Delta Block 143 to the Venice Gas Plant in Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana. The Commission held Shell's application for a Part 284 blanket transportation certificate in abeyance pending the outcome of further procedures to resolve issues concerning the proposed rates, terms, and conditions of service.

Shell proposes to decrease the proposed initial rates by \$0.032 per MMBtu and to offer FT-1, FT-2, and IT-1 transportation services. Shell states that (1) the FT-1 service would be a traditional firm transportation service with fixed Maximum Daily Quantities (MDQ) and reservation charge; (2) the FT-2 service would be a flexible firm service with variable MDQ and rates based on volumes shipped; and (3) the IT-1 service would be a traditional interruptible transportation service.

Shell also requests that the Commission act expeditiously to issue a Part 284 blanket transportation certificate and approve the proposed rates and terms and conditions of service so the 30-inch line can be placed in service by August 1, 1996, upon completion of construction to handle Mars production. Shell proposes to conduct an open season for